UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

SECURITIES INVESTOR PROTECTION CORPORATION,

Adv. Pro. No. 08-01789 (SMB)

Plaintiff-Applicant,

SIPA LIQUIDATION

v.

(Substantively Consolidated)

BERNARD L. MADOFF INVESTMENT SECURITIES LLC,

Defendant.

In re:

BERNARD L. MADOFF,

Debtor.

IRVING H. PICARD, Trustee for the Liquidation of Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities LLC,

Plaintiff,

v.

HSBC BANK PLC, et al.,

Defendants.

Adv. Pro. No. 09-01364 (SMB)

STIPULATED FINAL ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO DISMISS COUNTS TWO, TEN, THIRTEEN, FOURTEEN, FIFTEEN, SIXTEEN, SEVENTEEN, EIGHTEEN AND NINETEEN OF THE AMENDED COMPLAINT

Plaintiff Irving H. Picard (the "Trustee"), as trustee of the substantively consolidated liquidation proceeding of Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities LLC ("BLMIS"), under the Securities Investor Protection Act ("SIPA"), 15 U.S.C. §§ 78aaa *et seq.*, and the estate of Bernard L. Madoff, individually, and defendants HSBC Bank plc, HSBC Holdings plc, HSBC Securities Services (Luxembourg) S.A., HSBC Institutional Trust Services (Ireland) Limited, HSBC Securities Services (Ireland) Limited, HSBC Institutional Trust Services (Bermuda) Limited, HSBC Securities Services (Bermuda) Limited, HSBC Bank (Cayman) Limited, HSBC

Private Banking Holdings (Suisse) S.A., HSBC Private Bank (Suisse) S.A., HSBC Fund Services (Luxembourg) S.A., HSBC Bank Bermuda Limited (collectively the "Moving HSBC Defendants"), Thema Fund Ltd., Hermes International Fund Limited, Lagoon Investment Limited, Lagoon Investment Trust, Equus Asset Management Ltd., Hermes Asset Management Limited, Thema Asset Management (Bermuda) Ltd., Thema Asset Management Ltd., BA Worldwide Fund Management Limited (the "Other Moving Defendants," together with the Moving HSBC Defendants, the "Moving Defendants") and HSBC Bank USA, N.A., (together with the Moving Defendants, the "Defendants" and with the Trustee, the "Parties"), by and through their respective undersigned counsel, state as follows:

WHEREAS, on July 15, 2009, the Trustee initiated the above-captioned adversary proceeding in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the "Bankruptcy Court") by filing a complaint ("Complaint") that named, among others, HSBC Bank plc and HSBC Securities Services (Luxembourg) S.A. as defendants. *See Picard v. HSBC Bank plc*, Adv. Pro. No. 09-01364 (SMB), ECF No 1;

WHEREAS, on December 15, 2010, the Trustee filed an amended complaint which, among other things, named certain other Defendants, identified in the first paragraph of this Stipulated Order. *Id.*, ECF No. 170;

WHEREAS, on May 15, 2012 and June 7, 2012, respectively, the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, the Honorable Jed S. Rakoff, entered orders in which he withdrew the reference in certain adversary proceedings pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(d) to determine whether SIPA and/or the Bankruptcy Code as incorporated by SIPA apply extraterritorially, permitting the Trustee to avoid initial transfers that were received abroad or to recover from initial, immediate, or mediate foreign transferees (the "Extraterritoriality Issue").

See Sec. Investor Prot. Corp. v. Bernard L. Madoff Inv. Sec. LLC, No. 12-mc-0115 (JSR), ECF Nos. 97 and 167;

WHEREAS, after consolidated briefing and oral argument on the Extraterritoriality Issue, *see id.*, ECF Nos. 234, 309, 310, 322, and 357, on July 7, 2014, Judge Rakoff entered an Opinion and Order (the "Extraterritoriality Order") and returned the withdrawn adversary proceedings to the Bankruptcy Court for further proceedings consistent with the Extraterritoriality Order. *See Sec. Investor Prot. Corp. v. Bernard L. Madoff Inv. Sec. LLC*, 513 B.R. 222 (S.D.N.Y. 2014);

WHEREAS, on July 28, 2014, Judge Rakoff entered a Stipulation and Supplemental Opinion and Order in which he supplemented the Extraterritoriality Order to direct that certain additional adversary proceedings should "also be returned to the Bankruptcy Court for further proceedings consistent with" the Extraterritoriality Order. *See Sec. Investor Prot. Corp. v. Bernard L. Madoff Inv. Sec. LLC*, No. 12-mc-0115 (JSR), ECF No. 556;

WHEREAS, on December 10, 2014, the Bankruptcy Court entered an Order concerning further proceedings on the Extraterritoriality Issue that directed the Moving Defendants, the Trustee, and Securities Investor Protection Corporation to submit supplemental briefing to address (a) which counts asserted in the adversary proceeding against Moving Defendants should be dismissed pursuant to the Extraterritoriality Order or the legal standards announced therein and (b) whether the Trustee shall be permitted to file an amended complaint containing allegations relevant to the Extraterritoriality Issue as proffered by the Trustee (together, the "Extraterritoriality Motion to Dismiss"). See Sec. Investor Prot. Corp. v. Bernard L. Madoff Inv. Sec. LLC, Adv. Pro. No. 08-01789 (SMB), ECF No. 8800;

WHEREAS, HSBC Bank USA, N.A. did not participate in the Extraterritoriality Motion to Dismiss and was therefore not subject to the Bankruptcy Court's December 10, 2014 Order;

WHEREAS, on December 31, 2014, January 2, 2015 and/or January 8, 2015, the Moving Defendants filed or joined the consolidated memorandum of law in support of the Extraterritoriality Motion to Dismiss. *See Picard v. HSBC Bank plc*, Adv. Pro. No. 09-01364 (SMB), ECF Nos. 356, 357, 360; *Sec. Investor Prot. Corp. v. Bernard L. Madoff Inv. Sec. LLC*, Adv. Pro. No. 08-01789 (SMB), ECF No. 8903;

WHEREAS, pursuant to further scheduling Orders, *see Sec. Investor Prot. Corp. v. Bernard L. Madoff Inv. Sec. LLC*, Adv. Pro. No. 08-01789 (SMB), ECF Nos. 8990, 9350, and 9720, on June 26, 2015, the Trustee filed (a) a consolidated memorandum of law in opposition to the Extraterritoriality Motion to Dismiss, (b) a supplemental memorandum in opposition to the Extraterritoriality Motion to Dismiss, and (c) a proposed second amended complaint. *See Picard v. HSBC Bank plc*, Adv. Pro. No. 09-01364 (SMB), ECF Nos. 396–398;

WHEREAS, on September 30, 2015, the Moving Defendants filed (a) the consolidated reply memorandum of law in support of the Extraterritoriality Motion to Dismiss and (b) supplemental reply memoranda in support of the Extraterritoriality Motion to Dismiss. *See id.*, ECF Nos. 408–14;

WHEREAS, on December 16, 2015, the Bankruptcy Court heard oral argument on the Extraterritoriality Motion to Dismiss. *See Sec. Investor Prot. Corp. v. Bernard L. Madoff Inv. Sec. LLC*, Adv. Pro. No. 08-01789 (SMB), ECF No. 12081;

WHEREAS, on November 22, 2016, the Bankruptcy Court issued a Memorandum Decision Regarding Claims to Recover Foreign Subsequent Transfers (the "Memorandum

Decision") that granted the Extraterritoriality Motion to Dismiss as to the Moving Defendants. *See id.*, ECF No. 14495;

WHEREAS, the Memorandum Decision directed that the Trustee's claims in this adversary proceeding, except for any subsequent transfers received from the Rye Funds, as that term is defined in the Memorandum Decision, should be dismissed as to Counts Two, Ten, Thirteen, Fourteen, Fifteen, Sixteen, Seventeen, Eighteen and Nineteen against the Moving HSBC Defendants, and as to Counts Two and Ten against the Other Moving Defendants (the "Dismissed Claims");

WHEREAS, on January 18, 2017, this Court entered the So Ordered Stipulation Applying Omnibus Extraterritoriality Briefing and Memorandum Decision To Certain Joinder Defendants (the "Extraterritoriality Stipulation"), applying the Memorandum Decision, subject to the reservations of rights and limitations set forth therein, to HSBC Bank USA, N.A. *See Sec. Investor Prot. Corp. v. Bernard L. Madoff Inv. Sec. LLC*, Adv. Pro. No. 08-01789 (SMB), ECF No 14890;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Extraterritoriality Stipulation, the Memorandum Decision's international comity holding directs dismissal of the Trustee's claim to recover subsequent transfers HSBC Bank USA, N.A. received from Fairfield Sentry Limited and Harley International (Cayman) Limited contained in Counts Two, Ten, Thirteen, Fourteen, Fifteen, Sixteen, Seventeen, Eighteen and Nineteen (hereafter included as "Dismissed Claims");

WHEREAS, the Parties have agreed to consent to the Bankruptcy Court's entry of final orders and judgments consistent with the Memorandum Decision in this adversary proceeding;

WHEREAS, the Parties further request that the Bankruptcy Court enter a final judgment solely as to the Dismissed Claims under Rule 54(b) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure on

the grounds that an immediate appellate review of the Memorandum Decision will be efficient for the courts and the Parties; and

NOW, for the reasons set forth in the Memorandum Decision, which is incorporated herein and attached hereto as Exhibit A, the Parties agree and stipulate and the Bankruptcy Court hereby orders:

- 1. The Bankruptcy Court has subject matter jurisdiction over this adversary proceeding under 28 U.S.C. § 1334(b) and (e)(1) and 15 U.S.C. § 78eee (b)(2)(A) and (b)(4).
- 2. The parties expressly and knowingly grant their consent solely for the Bankruptcy Court to enter final orders and judgments with respect to the Extraterritoriality Motion to Dismiss, whether the underlying claims are core under 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2) or non-core under 28 U.S.C. § 157(c)(2), subject to appellate review, including under 28 U.S.C. § 158. Notwithstanding the above grant of consent, Defendants reserve all other jurisdictional, substantive, or procedural rights and remedies in connection with this adversary proceeding, including with respect to the Bankruptcy Court's power to finally determine any other matters in this adversary proceeding.
- 3. The Extraterritoriality Motion to Dismiss is **GRANTED** as to the Dismissed Claims against Defendants.
- 4. The entry of a final order and judgment dismissing the Dismissed Claims in this adversary proceeding pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 54(b) is appropriate. To permit entry of a final order and judgment under Fed. R. Civ. P. 54(b), there must be multiple claims or multiple parties, at least one claim finally decided within the meaning of 28 U.S.C. § 1291, and an express determination that there is no just reason for delay. *In re Air Crash at Belle Harbor*, N.Y., 490 F.3d 99, 108–09 (2d Cir. 2007).

- 5. The operative complaint filed in this adversary proceeding alleges multiple claims and names multiple defendants. The entry of a final order and judgment will finally decide and ultimately dispose of the Dismissed Claims, which present legal issues that can be adjudicated independently of the remaining claims.
- 6. There is no just reason for delay of entry of a final order and judgment on the Dismissed Claims. In light of the number of adversary proceedings, claims and defendants in the above-captioned substantively consolidated adversary proceeding affected by the Memorandum Decision, the interests of sound judicial administration and the realization of judicial efficiencies are served by the entry of this final order and judgment, together with the entry of all other final orders and judgments dismissing other claims brought by the Trustee in the above-captioned substantively consolidated adversary proceeding pursuant to the Memorandum Decision ("Related Final Orders and Judgments"), and the opportunity for an immediate appeal.
- 7. Because this order and judgment and the dismissal of the Dismissed Claims, together with Related Final Orders and Judgments, will affect numerous adversary proceedings commenced by the Trustee and hundreds of defendants named in those complaints or proposed amended complaints, an immediate appeal would avoid protracted, expensive, and potentially duplicative litigation proceedings, and will facilitate the prompt resolution of the case, thereby providing certainty and helping to streamline the litigation for further proceedings and possible appeals.
- 8. The Parties' request that the Bankruptcy Court enter final orders and judgments solely as to the Dismissed Claims under Rule 54(b) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure is **GRANTED**.

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SO ORDERED

Dated: March 9, 2017

New York, New York

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